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Dear Mr. Linnik:

This is in response to your letter received 30 May 2006 inquiring about the status of U.S. patent application 10/505,376 filed 20 August 2004. The Office electronic records do not show receipt of a Response to Notice of Missing Requirements allegedly filed 01 July 2005. Should prosecution of the application be desired, applicant should file a petition under 37 CFR 1.181along with copies of all the papers submitted on that date, including a postcard showing receipt in the Office of these papers. The papers should be accompanied by a statement from the attorney of record that the copies are true copies of what was filed and of the postcard receipt as returned by the USPTO. The petition for acceptance of copies of papers filed with the petition as originally filed on 01 July 2005 should be sent to the PCT Legal Office.

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